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DETAILED ACTION

Response to Amendment

1. The reply filed on 07-16-2004 is not in compliance with 37 CFR 1.173(b)(2) because of the following omission(s) or matter(s): Claims added to the patent must be underlined in their entirety (37 CFR 1.173(d)). Subject matter being added to a new claim requires rewriting (and underlining) of the entire new claim. Each amendatory change, when first submitted, must be accompanied by an explanation of the support in the disclosure of the patent for the change on page(s) separate from the page(s) containing the amendment (37 CFR 1.173(c)). Since the above-mentioned reply appears to be *bona fide*, applicant is given **ONE (1) MONTH or THIRTY (30) DAYS** from the mailing date of this notice, whichever is longer, within which to supply the omission or correction in order to avoid abandonment. **EXTENSIONS OF THIS TIME PERIOD MAY BE GRANTED UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a).**

Conclusion

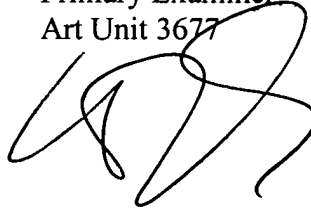
Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to William L. Miller whose telephone number is 703 305 3978. The examiner can normally be reached on Tuesday-Thursday.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, J. J. Swann can be reached on 703 306 4115. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 703-872-9306.

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